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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(d), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449 (substitute form). Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2), copies of the foreign patent documents and non-patent literature are attached.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants are supplying copies of the International Search Reports for cross-referenced applications 10/892,974 and 10/892,755 (not the instant case.) Applicants note that the International Search Reports have not been generated under U.S. law and therefore have little, if any, applicability to the instant case. However, the International Search Reports are being cited to the Examiner for the sake of completeness and courtesy.

Some documents listed in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement were cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application, and this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that communication.

Based on reasonable inquiry, no document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing date of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures:

Form PTO-1449 (substitute)

Cited References (2) International Search Reports

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